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Mayor Dixon Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

Baltimore, MD (October 3, 2007) – This afternoon, Mayor Dixon hosted a reception in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month. Art, music and food with a Hispanic flair were on display for leaders and members of Baltimore's Hispanic community.

"Over the years, many Hispanics have chosen to come to Baltimore to live, work, and raise their families," said Mayor Dixon. "As we all know, when we come together, we are stronger. For this reason, it is important that we take the time to recognize and understand the rich and storied cultures that make up Baltimore City. No culture is richer than the one we are celebrating tonight."

Hispanic Heritage Month is from September 15 to October 15, 2007, and celebrates the anniversary of independence for five Latin American countries—Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. In addition, September also marks independence day celebrations for both Mexico and Chile.

Hispanic Heritage Month honors the cultural diversity and richness of all Hispanic Americans-whose parents or forebears come from any of 20 different Spanish-speaking countries.

During National Hispanic Heritage Month, please join the City of Baltimore in recognizing and honoring the achievements of Hispanic Americans- especially those who live, earn, play and learn right here in Baltimore.

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